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Owing to the backward season we, as well as other dealers in

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are overstocked in every department. We inaugurated our

Great May Sale on MAY 2.

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700 yards all wool Dress Goods desirable shades, former price 55 and 65 cents; MAY SALE price, 36 cents.

800 yards Novelty Woolen Dress Goods; for. price 20 and 25 cents; MAY SALE price, 12 cents.

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Great bargains in Outings, May Sale price, 5 cents.

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Best Table Oil Cloth made, May Sale price 14 cents.

Best Carpet Warp, all colors, May Sale price 17 cents.

5000 yards of Embroidery worth 15, 20 and 25 cents; MAY SALE price 9 cents.

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This Department contains every Novelty in the Market. Our Prices the cheapest and our work unexcelled in the State.

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Great May Sale.

HARLAN & ENGLE.

Bro. Kies, of the *Commoner*, at Wichita, reports the birth of a new "calamity howler" at his residence. It being the first born of the family, Bro. Kies feels greatly elated over his offspring. The *Voice* offers congratulations and adds the hope that he may grow into the same manly stuff as that composing his father's anatomy.

Speaking of Chester (J. Long, the *Monitor* remarks that "the enthusiasm which his name has aroused has infected even the Democrats!" Here, now, we object to any bids for the Democratic support. Remember you have said "It is straight business or nothing this year, (with the accent on this year). And speaking of enthusiasm, Chester's name, as well as his person, will be "small potatoes" when Jerry comes marching home this fall. The Democrats will give you all the straight business you want this year—straight in the neck.

During the investigation of the Congressional committee on the "sweating system" in Boston, some sad revelations were made of the hardships and cruelties incident to the manufacture of clothing. It appears that some of the shops were filthy and unwholesome to the last degree. In one a man and his wife were making knee pants at sixty-five cents a dozen, and even out of this they had to pay for some assistance. Some had to work eighteen hours a day and every day in the week including Sunday. It was said that all the Boston firms but two had their clothing made by contract in New York. One contractor said that the low wages resulted from the immense influx of immigration. It is a tough problem.—*Christian Standard*.

The Republican papers say the People's party is a scheme for the purpose of electing a Democratic president. The *Clay City (Ind.) Sentinel*, a Democratic sheet, looks at it differently. It says:

The People's party, if it polls one-twentieth of the votes of the nation, will make Republican victory certain. Republican farmers, while they may be in sympathy with the movement, are not identifying themselves with the new party. This of itself induces the *Sentinel* to believe that the politicians of the Republican party are giving encouragement to the new party for the sole purpose of securing another Republican victory in the nation.

It makes a difference what sort of spectacles you look through. To tell the truth, it does look a little dangerous to both.

Prof. Snow, of the state university favors us with a pamphlet containing the results of his experiments in inoculating the chinch bug with the micrococcus and other fatal sicknesses with long Latin names, which seem to be getting in their work on the insect population with gratifying success. The spectacle of the festive chinch-bug with a white fungus on his placid stomach, curling up under a cornstalk to die, bears a striking resemblance to the present condition of a certain political party in Kansas of which the bug has been a most useful and effective ally in conducting its calamity campaign.—*Monitor*.

The superior enlightenment and genius of man has become so great that the chinch bug and the gold bug alike fall a prey to his equalizing process. In 1890 the deadly inoculation was put out and the 82,000 majority dwindled and died. In 1891 the gold bug sought a Democratic stimulant, but that offered a very poor resistance to the devastation and the present season will doubtless extinguish the whole gold-bug outfit.

A new "Calamity Howler" of more than ordinary importance is about to make its appearance in Chicago. We refer to *The Vanguard*, a new paper to be established by Lester Hubbard, the aggressive founder of the *Farmer's Voice*, from which paper he was ousted by the wealthy mail supply house of Montgomery, Ward & Co., who acquired a controlling interest in the stock. Hubbard having, by his fiery zeal, developed the *Farmer's Voice* to an enormous circulation, this immense concern concluded to turn it into an agricultural paper and use it as an advertising lever of its immense mail trade and at the same time squelch the influential "rautings" of Hubbard. The paper at once dropped to a common place affair and has declined largely in circulation. Mr. Hubbard is one of the most energetic writers in the movement. He is the author of "The Coming Climax," which has secured such a wide reading among the people. The *Vanguard* will be able and fearless. Its price will be 82.00 per year, each yearly subscriber getting as a premium a copy of his book, "The Coming Climax." We can send *The Vanguard* and the *Voice* including the book, for \$2.50 per year or both papers six months for \$1.25.

ANOTHER CONGRESSMAN!

COL. W. A. PHILLIPS, OF SALINA, FOLLOWS HARRISON KELLEY INTO THE PEOPLE'S PARTY.

Served One Term in Congress. Defeated by John Davis in 1890. Proposing Now to Espouse the Cause of the People With All His Manly Vigor.

TOPEKA, May 14.—Just as great a sensation as that which was caused by the announcement that ex-Congressman Harrison Kelley had left the Republican for the People's party will be produced in Kansas when it becomes generally known that Colonel William A. Phillips, of Salina, ex-congressman from the Fifth district, and heretofore a stalwart Republican leader, is negotiating with the People's party readers for the publication of his book, "Land, Labor and Law," which is to be changed to suit existing conditions and thrown on the market as a People's party campaign book.

This book is pronounced by the People's party men who have examined it the ablest exposition of their belief yet published. It was published by Scribners in 1886 and sold for \$2.50 a copy. Few copies were sold in the west, but in England it had a tremendous sale.

Colonel Phillips has continued his researches and now proposes to go still further into the People's ranks. It is proposed to have the book published by the People's publishing house at St. Louis and sold at fifty cents per copy. This is the publishing house in which Peffer, Simpson, Morgan, Donnelly and other People's party leaders are interested and which proposes to issue a campaign paper of a half million circulation.

Colonel Phillips was, while in congress, chairman of the house committee on public lands. In the additions which he proposes to make to his book he will treat of trusts and railroads. He said this morning that the manuscript would be ready for the printer in six weeks. "I have always wanted my book circulated in the west," he declared, "but it has never been pushed. Scribners promised to push it, but it cannot even be found in the big book-stores west of the Mississippi."

THAT SETTLES IT.

For the sake of keeping the Kansas Alliance in line, the old fake about half a dozen southern states being ready to break away from Democracy on account of the defeat of free coinage is now being industriously worked. There is not an atom of truth in it. Whatever they may believe and whatever they may talk, the Alliance in the south will vote for the Democratic candidate for president, whoever he is and whatever the platform, just as sure as election day comes around.—*Monitor*.

Now that settles it! The mogul hath spoken! What a man who scarcely sees the light of day outside of his little office in Wellington does not know about the political status of the south is not worth knowing. If we had not seen such prophetic asses as our neighbor so often disappointed, we should feel like giving up in despair. But here is a little Republican testimony bearing on the subject. Kansas Republicans would grieve very nearly as much for Georgia to belong to the Democrats as for Kansas to go calamitywise, but in other sections of the country where they have not been crowded quite so closely to the wall, they muster up a little uberance over the prospect of Democratic discomfiture in the south. Here is some cheering Republican news from a Republican correspondent to the *Republican Chicago Tribune*:

Tom Watson was the only one of the Georgia delegation who staid outside of the Democratic caucus and declared himself in favor of a third party. His re-election is conceded now by all hands, while it is admitted that there is scarcely an Alliance Democrat who can be returned. Colonel Livingstone, Everett and the other mongrel members are powerless to stem the tide. It is now stated that the Alliance will have a straight-out candidate in every district of the state who will run entirely independent of the Democratic machinery.

The third party leaders declare they will beat everybody, including Crisp, Blount and Turner. Crisp and Turner represent the great cotton growing districts of the state. All the Democrats there have been educating their people to the belief that the low price of cotton is mainly due to the lack of unlimited silver coinage. They have taught that the two go together. Now it is impossible for them to explain why a Democratic house, with a majority of 255, has failed to give the south free coinage. The passage of the tariff bill, putting cotton ties on the free list, does not make amends in the view of the cotton growers for the failure to give them free coinage. They have reasoned it out and they won't listen to arguments or promises of what some other congress will do.

DOUBLEDAY SPEAKS.

The True Status of the Omissions in the Apportionment Bill.

EDITOR *VOICE*: Inquiry being made why Jackson township was omitted in the printed act apportioning the state into senatorial and representative districts and the consequence thereof, permit me to say that House bill No. 798, the apportioning bill as it passed the house, included all the townships and was reported to the senate as was shown on page 641, senate journal. By motion of Senator Kirkpatrick all of the bill, after the enacting clause, was stricken out and a new bill substituted, which omitted the following townships: Jackson, Caldwell, Oxford and Avon and passed the senate with those omissions, as appears on page 756 to 765, senate journal.

The house non-concurred in the senate amendment and a conference committee was appointed. As shown by page 1098 of house journal and page 849 of senate journal, the senate committee receded from the amendment made to the bill by the senate and the house committee receded from the provisions of sections 1, 2 and 3 of the bill, neither of which sections affected Sumner county, and the bill as originally passed by the house, with the exception of the first three sections, passed both the house and the senate and included all of the county in the seventy and seventy-first districts and was to take effect from and after its publication in the statute book. The omission of those four townships, as the bill passed the senate, was noticed by Messrs. Meeker and Showalter, as well as myself and had I not attended to the correction, one of those gentlemen doubtless would.

State Printer Baker, in publishing the session acts, omitted Dixon township in the seventieth district and Jackson township in the seventy-first district. What will be the effect?

The house and senate journal both shows those townships to have been included in the bill as passed and the governor approved the bill, as shown on page 1123 of house journal. Every thing was complete except publication. The act has been published with the omission of two words. That in my opinion is a substantial compliance with the law.

By the constitution each house is vested with the power to determine who are entitled to membership in that body and to reject the vote of Dixon or Jackson township would be to violate the laws and usurp a power never delegated to the house by the constitution. No party guided by honesty or justice could think of questioning the right of those townships to vote and have their vote honestly counted. Yet we cannot forget that the republicans stole the presidency from Tilden and polluted the U. S. supreme court to do it. They also stole the governorship in Nebraska and the republican supreme court of that state ratified the larceny and were it not for the federal supreme court, the outrage would have triumphed. However, let us hope that no party in Kansas will stoop to such political rascality, especially when the only defect in the bill was caused by a neglect of one of its own state officials.

J. M. DOUBLEDAY.

DEEP WATER.

Who it will Benefit—A Few Facts by our Correspondent.

Another visit to deep water by our traveling correspondent shows that they are still maintaining this position and gaining deeper water at each measurement. Not only that, but they have broken the record of the Texas coast in sending out the steamer *Austerlitz* loaded with 5,000 bales of cotton and 40,000 lbs. cotton seed meal. This is the first steamer to be loaded from this port for direct shipment to Liverpool, England. It passed out over the bar drawing sixteen feet, two inches of water, completing its load at Velasco, passing out without difficulty with near two feet of water to spare. This record made by this large steamer opens the gates of the port to the world and the *Austerlitz* carried a flag or banner announcing it as the pioneer vessel at Velasco, Texas. The Captain stated that the mouth of the Brazos river was among the best ports and that its future only depended on the land facilities to bring and carry away the goods for export and import, as their water facilities were sufficient now to do all the business brought to the port. The Captain's experience is world wide, as the ocean has been his home for years and has visited all the prominent ports, and his commendation of the port could not be greater. Consequently the long felt want as expressed by the various deep water conventions of the past has been

supplied at Velasco and the work of developing the local facilities for handling the cotton and grain of the north is being rapidly developed and Velasco is destined to become the future market of the west, being some 600 miles nearer than to ship east as heretofore, thus saving the difference between a water haul and a railroad haul, in the price to the farmer, which is estimated by the railroad company themselves to be from 10 to 12½ cents per hundred lbs. (some say bushel), so it behooves us to keep an eye on the development of the southern market and to take advantage of its facilities at as early an opportunity as possible.

Again, taking the country for 100 miles up from the coast, it is undeveloped only in localities and there is some very fine land which will soon be taken in charge by northern men and made to blossom like the rose with all kinds of fruit and vegetables and those who have been wasting years waiting for the Strip, have wasted valuable time that might be well improved in the southern climate, where the winters are very mild and land cheap.

Corn was knee high April 26, oats headed out and well filled, vegetables of all kinds, even to new potatoes. Strawberries have been in market since February 15 and a carload was shipped April 25 for Chicago, showing that their season is not so short as in the north and they are gathering an immense yield this season and getting fancy prices here and farther north, while we are still shivering with the cold weather.

Will close with these few facts for your consideration. Yours,
MARTIN ARMSTRONG.

CIRCUS DAY.

Ringling Brothers' World-Famous Aggregation Almost Here.

"Are you going to the circus?" is the question that everybody is asking everybody else these days; and the answer is invariably in the affirmative. No circus aggregation that ever visited Wellington aroused the preliminary enthusiasm that has marked the announcement that the Ringling Brothers' World's Greatest Shows would exhibit in Wellington, Thursday, May 26. In view of the fact that this wonderful zoologic, ethnologic, arenic, equine and hippodromic exhibition is the largest tented amusement in the world—that it employs more people, runs more trains, has more horses, elephants, camels and wild animals, and exhibits under the largest tents ever constructed—this feeling of enthusiastic anticipation can be readily understood. We suggest to rural people the advisability of getting to town as early as possible, so as not to miss the grand street procession, which moves promptly at 10 o'clock, rain or shine. The mammoth highway locomotive, which moves along the streets, drawing one section of the parade, and the magnificent tableau of Moscow's Kremlin Tower, with its chiming bells, are alone worth coming miles to see; and, after all, they are only two of the many features exhibited in the street procession, free to all.

A great many people recognized the sun when it showed itself in the east last Sunday morning, in the same place, just as shiny and seemingly brighter than it used to be. After so much rain and gloomy weather last Sunday was the most beautiful day we have had this spring and everybody put in the time enjoying it.

COUNTY ECHOES.

Prof. Lightfoot went to Kingfisher last Monday to take a position as book-keeper in Ward & Butts lumber office. —*Milwaukee Record*.

We have it from an authoritative source that since the first of the month, twice as much wheat has been shipped from Milan than from any station on the Santa Fe west of Wellington.—*Milan Press*.

The new Baptist church, which was begun at Pisgah, in Morris township some time ago, has fallen through with, so we are informed by Mr. J. H. Ridings, who was in the city Friday, and the money subscribed for same has been refunded.—*Milan Press*.

The pupils and patrons of the Milan public schools will be glad to learn that J. H. Ledgerwood, who has so ably filled the position of superintendent for the past two years has been retained by the board for the coming year.—*Milan Press*.

We understand that the far-fetched and wide-reaching construction placed upon the "sooner clause" at the Kingfisher land office, by which settlers were barred from filing on land in the new country if they had been within the prescribed limits of that country between 1889 and the time of the opening, has been modified by orders from the general land office, which states that the clause applies only to those having entered upon the lands between April 12 and 19, 1892. There is some sense in such a law as the latter, but none in the former.—*S. H. New Era*.

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